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COUNTRY

Germany (Soviet Zone)

REPORT NO.

TOPIC

Soviet Clothing Depot at Bernau

EVALUATION

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DATE OF CONTENT

23 October to 6 December 1951

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DATE PREPARED 18 January 1952

REFERENCES

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ENCLOSURES (NO. &amp; TYPE)

REMARKS

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SOURCE

1. Prior to about the middle of November 1951, German workers were hired almost daily for all sections of the Soviet clothing depot at Bernau. No more new workers were employed after that time. On 6 December, the depot was inspected by four officers, including one with the rank of general, guided by Major Kogan (fnu), the depot commandant. \*

2. Outgoing shipments.

Date	Shipment	Remarks
23 October	6 truckloads of coats and 2 truckloads of boots;	driven by soldiers with yellow-bordered black epaulets
26 October	5 truckloads of boxes; truck	
13 and 14 November	4 carloads of boxes with clothing	
15 and 16 November	10 truckloads of uniforms;	driven by soldiers with red-bordered black epau- lets
27 November	4 truckloads of belts and belt buckles;	en route toward Oranien- burg
29 November	tracks with undeter- mined cargo	en route toward Biesen-25X1 thal
	6 trucks, including with undeter- mined cargo	driven by soldiers with black-bordered blue epaulets

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1 December

6 trucks, [redacted]  
[redacted] with  
undetermined cargo

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3 December

5 truckloads of large boxes; enroute toward Ebers-  
[redacted] walde

6 December

6 truckloads with skirts, coats  
and underwear; [redacted]

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3. It was said that all articles of clothing shipped out were newly manufactured and that no repair and mending work was done at the depot. \*\*

4. Depot I contained a small medical depot which maintained direct connection with the Ludwig-Hoffmann Hospital in Buch. Another medical depot, which was under the authority of the German Volkspolizei, was located on Weissen-seerstrasse, Bernau. \*\*\*

\* [redacted] Comment. The information confirms the Main Clothing Depots I and II of the CORD, [redacted] at Bernau until the beginning of December 1951. The hiring of new workers was previously reported. See [redacted] Major Kogan (fnu) mentioned in the present report was previously mentioned as commandant of Clothing Depot II. Another source reported one Lieutenant Colonel Bollodochuk (phonetic spelling) (fnu) to have been commandant of the main depot.

\*\* [redacted] Comment. The outgoing shipments were dispatched from Depot II, which is the distribution point for the troops, while Depot I primarily manufactures new clothing and equipment. The rate of outgoing shipments is considered normal. The motor vehicles belong to the 10th Gds Tank Div, 6th Gds Mecz Div, headquarters units, and the 7th Gds Mecz Div, all of the Fourth Gds Mecz Army.

\*\*\* [redacted] Comment. Reports on rail movements repeatedly listed shipments of medical material to Bernau. The medical installation there seems to be an organizational depot only which belongs to the Ludwig-Hoffmann Hospital mentioned in the present report. The VP medical depot is reported for the first time.

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